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PETITION TO EXTEND TIME FOR THREE MONTHS WITH FEE AUTHORIZATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated April 14, 1999 for three months, from July 14, 1999 to October 14, 1999. An appropriate response to the Office Action in the form of an Amendment is enclosed herewith.

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Please charge the fee of \$435.00 to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the above deposit account. This petition is submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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